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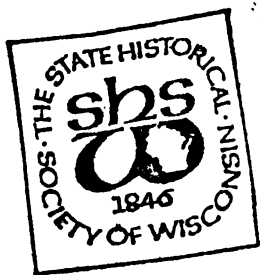
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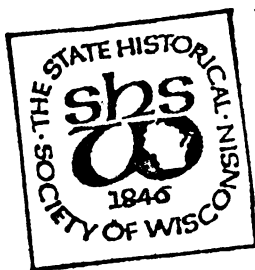
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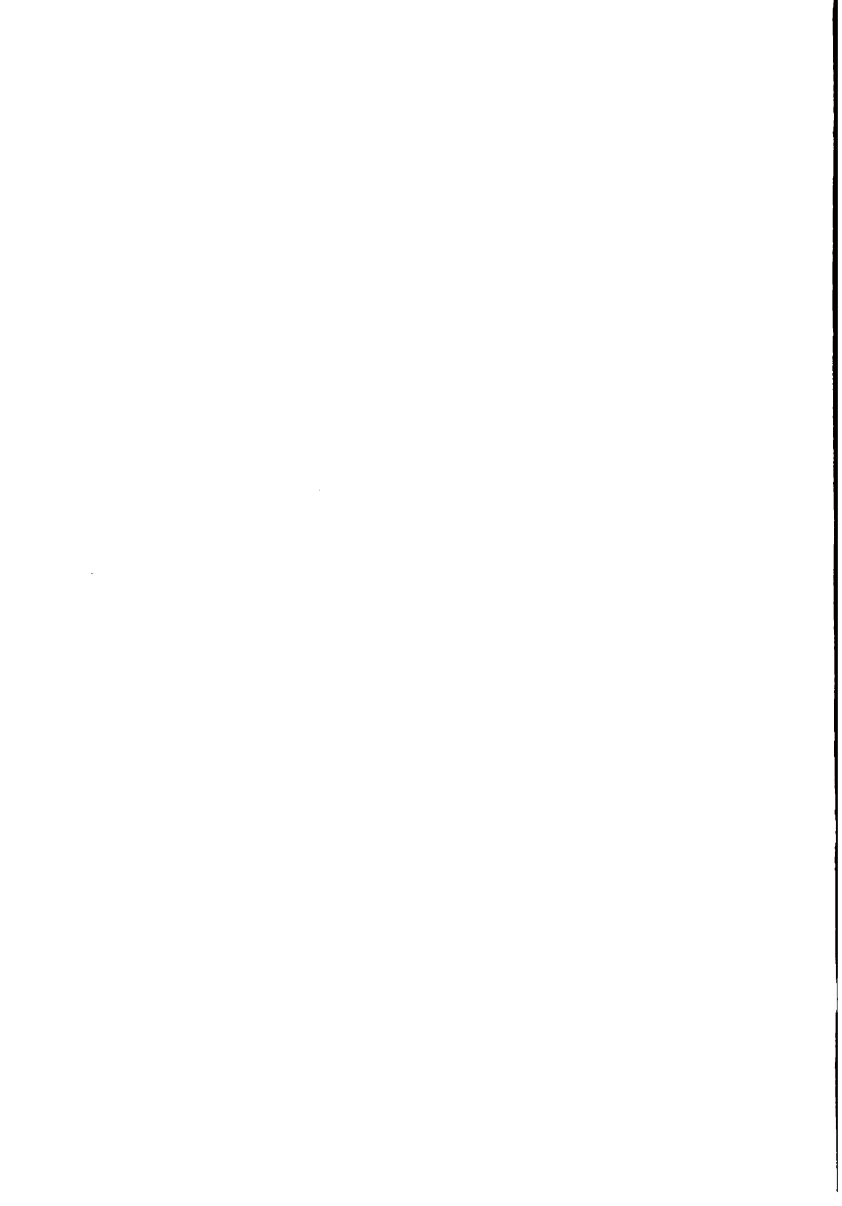
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AN
ABRIDGED GENEALOGY
OF THE
OLMSTEAD FAMILY
OF
NEW ENGLAND.

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1869.



The following brief record of the Olmstead family was not designed for publication, but merely for the benefit of that branch of the family with which the author is connected. To him belongs the credit of collecting the various facts contained herein. However, this little volume will be found interesting and useful to many whose connection is more remote.

The oldest tradition we have of the family is that they originated in Germany, and the exact date of their leaving there is not known; but in the early part of the sixteenth century they were settled at Cambridge in England, and the old colony records of New England show that in 1632, twelve years after the first landing of the pilgrims on Plymouth rock, Mass., they emigrated to America.

JAMES F. OLMSTEAD.

NEW YORK, *May* 1st, 1869.

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ABRIDGED GENEALOGY
OF
THE OLMSTEAD FAMILY.

JAMES OLMSTEAD.

Came to Boston, Mass., in the ship *Lyon*, from London, England, September 16, 1632. He was received a freeman. Settled at Cambridge, Mass., and filled the office of constable there for some years. He removed to Hartford, Conn., in 1636, of which he was an original proprietor, with large lots of land, his will and inventory showing a comfortable property. He died Sept. 18, 1640.

His children were :

Nicholas Olmstead (p. 2),

Nehemiah Olmstead (p. 2).

His nephews that came from England were :

Richard Olmstead (p. 3).

John Olmstead (p. 2).

NICHOLAS OLMSTEAD, son of *James* (p. 1).

Married a Miss Loomis, and lived at Hartford, Conn. He was a military officer and served his country in the Indian wars with Capt. John Mason.

NEHEMIAH OLMSTEAD, son of *James* (p. 1).

Removed to Fairfield, Conn., and was a military officer there A. D. 1657. From him probably descended the families of that name in Easton, Weston, Munroe and Danbury.

JOHN OLMSTEAD, nephew of *James* (p. 1).

Settled at Norwich, Conn., lived and died there. He left no issue, and his property was inherited by the children of his brother Richard.

RICHARD OLMSTEAD, nephew of *James* (p. 1).

He with his uncle was one of the original proprietors of Hartford, Conn., A. D. 1639. Removed to Norwalk, Conn., A. D. 1651, of which he was (with others from Hartford and other places) a purchaser of the township from Roger Ludlow Esq. of Fairfield, June 19, 1650. (See page 32 of Dr. Hall's work on Norwalk). In the town he was first in military command. In A. D. 1653 he was a representative to the general assembly May session, and a dozen other sessions, until A. D. 1679. He was a commissioner of the peace, *i. e.*, town judge. He seems to have enjoyed the public confidence until the end of life.

His children were :

James Olmstead (p. 4).

John Olmstead (p. 5).

JAMES OLMSTEAD, son of *Richard* (p. 3).

He was among the most prominent men of the times. He was for many years town clerk and town judge, and repeatedly a representative.

He had four sons, viz :

James,

Born March 10, 1676

Nathan,

Born April 27, 1678

Samuel,

Born May 13, 1683

John,

Born Aug. 14, 1692

JOHN OLMSTEAD, son of *Richard* (p. 3).

Married Nov. 11, 1670, to Mary Benedict daughter of Thomas Benedict. (See page 185 *Norwalk Records*).

He had ten children :

John,

Mary,

Jane,

Sarah,

Rebecca,

Daniel,

Richard (p. 6),

Eunice,

Deborah.

Daniel and Richard Olmstead, with others of Norwalk and Milford, Conn., purchased the township of Ridgefield, Sept. 30, 1708, of Catoonah, sachem of the Ramapoo Indians of the state of New York. Twenty thousand acres for one hundred pounds. Both removed there.

DANIEL OLMSTEAD, son of *John* (p. 5).

Married Hannah Ketchum of Norwalk, May
9th, 1711.

He had eight children, viz :

Daniel (no family),

Born Feb. 9, 1712 Died Sept. 22, 1730

Samuel (p. 7),

Born March 27, 1715 Died June 10, 1738

Nathan (p. 8),

Born March 7, 1716 Died July 30, 1805

Ambrose (p. 9),

Born May 9, 1719 Died April 6, 1792

Hannah (p. 10),

Born July 16, 1721

Jonathan (p. 11),

Born Dec. 8, 1723

Elizabeth (p. 12),

Born Feb. 3, 1727 Died March 11, 1825

Ezekiel (p. 13),

Born, 1730

SAMUEL OLMSTEAD, second son of *Daniel* (p. 6).

Married April 15th, 1737, to Abiah Smith
(third daughter of Ebenezer and Sarah Smith,
born March 7, 1716).

Their children were :

Daniel (p. 14),
Born June 7, 1738

Abiah (p. 15),
Born Jan. 19, 1739

Sarah (p. 16),
Born 1744

Samuel (p. 17),
Born Oct. 29, 1746

Ebenezer (p. 18),
Born 1748

Hannah (p. 19),
Born Jan. 8, 1750

Jared (p. 20),
Born July 1, 1753

Samuel Olmstead, Esq., departed this life, June
10, 1788, in his 74th year.

Abiah S. Olmstead departed this life, April 30,
1796, of cancer, aged 80 years 1 month 23 days.

NATHAN OLMSTEAD, third son of *Daniel* (p. 6).

Married Dec. 4, 1741, to Millicent Goodrich.

Their children were:

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|-------------------------------------|--|--------------------|--|
| <i>Millicent,</i> | | <i>Elizabeth,</i> | |
| Born March 21, 1742 | | Born July 26, 1746 | |
| <i>Nathan,</i> | | <i>David,</i> | |
| Born May 8, 1744 | | Born Nov. 20, 1748 | |
| <i>Hezekiah,</i> Born Dec. 16, 1750 | | | |

Mrs. Millicent G. Olmstead died Sept. 3, 1751.

Deacon Nathan Olmstead was married to widow Sarah Smith, Feb. 12, 1752.

His children by his second wife were:

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|---------------------|--|--------------------|--|
| <i>James,</i> | | <i>Pricilla,</i> | |
| Born Dec. 16, 1752 | | Born Mar. 5, 1763 | |
| Died June 30, 1754 | | | |
| <i>Sarah,</i> | | <i>Clara,</i> | |
| Born April 15, 1754 | | Born Oct. 25, 1765 | |
| <i>Prudence,</i> | | <i>Timothy,</i> | |
| Born Nov. 26, 1756 | | Born May 27, 1767 | |
| <i>Rachel,</i> | | <i>Polly,</i> | |
| Born Oct. 31, 1759 | | Born Jan. 12, 1771 | |
| <i>Lucretia,</i> | | <i>James,</i> | |
| Born Sept. 11, 1761 | | Born | |

Deacon Nathan O. died July 30, 1805, aged 89 years.

AMBROSE OLMSTEAD, son of *Daniel* (p. 6).

Married July 1, 1742 to Martha Comstock of Norwalk, (New Canaan Parish).

Their children were :

Abigail,

Born July 5, 1743

Martha,

Born April 14, 1745

Ambrose,

Born March 10, 1747

Mary,

Born Sept. 3, 1749

Ruth,

Born Aug. 5, 1751

Phebe,

Born Aug. 7, 1754

Ambrose Olmstead departed this life April 6, 1792, aged 72 years, 10 months 27 days.

Martha C. Olmstead departed this life Aug. 4, 1814, in the 91st year of her age.

HANNAH OLMSTEAD, daughter of *Daniel* (p. 6).

Was married to Enoch Goodrich March 22, 1737.

The children of Enoch and Hannah Goodrich :

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|---|---|
| <i>Daniel</i> , Born Dec. 6, 1738 | <i>David</i> , Born July 22, 1747 |
| <i>Abigail</i> , Born Feb. 26, 1740 | <i>Elizur</i> , Born Sept 19, 1751 |
| <i>Benjamin</i> , Born Jan. 17, 1742 | <i>Hannah</i> , Born Oct. 23, 1753 |
| <i>Samuel</i> , Born Dec. 6, 1743 | <i>Hezekiah</i> , Born Dec. 15, 1755 |
| <i>Nathan</i> , Born Sept. 21, 1745 | <i>Jeremiah</i> , Born Nov. 16, 1757 |
| <i>Josiah</i> , Born April 20, 1760 | |

This family removed from Ridgefield, to Berkshire county, Mass.

Daniel Goodrich was for several years a leader in the society of Shakers at Tyringham, Mass.

JONATHAN OLMSTEAD, son of *Daniel* (p. 6).

Was married to Betty Wood.

Their children were :

Betty,

Born Aug. 22, 1746

Hannah,

Born January, 1748

ELIZABETH OLMSTEAD, daughter of *Daniel* (p. 6).

Was married Oct. 8, 1745, to Benjamin Stebbins (son of Benjamin and Sarah Stebbins, born Sept. 3, 1721).

Their children were :

Elizabeth,

Born Aug. 10, 1746

Benjamin,

Born July 14, 1748

Died Oct. ..., 1781

Hannah,

Born April 12, 1750

Ebenezer,

Born Nov. 30, 1754

Died Sept. 1, 1808

Sarah,

Born Dec. 29, 1760

Mr. Benjamin Stebbins departed this life Feb. 26, 1803, in his 82d year.

Mrs. Elizabeth O. Stebbins departed this life March 11, 1825, in her 99th year.

EZEKIEL OLMSTEAD, son of *Daniel* (p. 6).

Married March 11, 1750, to Lydia Hayt, by
Rev. Jonathan Ingersoll, V.D.M.

Their children were :

Lydia,
Born Oct. 8, 1751

Jonathan,
Born Dec. 23, 1753

Hannah,
Born May 6, 1756

Sarah,
Born May 4, 1758

Mary,
Born Sept. 17, 1760

Cloe,
Born March 17, 1763

Ketchum,
Born May 29, 1765

Abigail,
Born Oct. .., 1766

This family removed from Ridgefield to some
place near Ballston, N. Y.

*A Genealogy of the Children of Samuel Olmstead and
Abiah Smith (p. 7).*

DANIEL OLMSTEAD, son of *Samuel* (p. 7).

Married Jan. 9, 1766, to Jemima Smith of New
Canaan, Conn.

Their children were :

Daniel,
Born June 28, 1767

Jemima,
Born May 16, 1770

Thirza,
Born April 3, 1772

The family removed from Ridgefield to Balls-
ton, N. Y.

Peter,
Born

Moses,
Born

Mr. Daniel Olmstead died at Milton, N. Y., 1814.

ABIAH OLMSTEAD daughter of *Samuel* (p. 7).

Married to Seth Sanford, of Redding, Ct.

They had one child :

Abiah,

Mrs Abiah O. Sanford died young.

Abiah Sanford her daughter was married to Isaac Hilliard of Redding, and resided at Amenia, N. Y.

SARAH OLMSTEAD, daughter of *Samuel* (p. 7).

Married Nov. 17, 1762, to Abraham Nash, Jr.

Their children were:

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| <i>Daniel,</i> Born Nov. 24, 1763 | <i>Samuel O.,</i> Born March 12, 1778 |
| <i>Sarah,</i> Born May 5, 1766 | <i>Abraham,</i> Born June 10, 1780 Died young. |
| <i>Jared,</i> Born Aug. 10, 1769 | <i>Abiah,</i> Born April 21, 1782 |
| <i>Phebe,</i> Born Feb. 9, 1771 | <i>Abraham,</i> Born Nov. 13, 1783 |

Sarah O. Nash died June 10, 1793.

Abraham Nash was afterwards married to widow Elizabeth Smith in 1795.

Mrs. Elizabeth Nash died March 28, 1820.

Mr. Abraham Nash died Nov. 3, 1821, in his 82d year.

SAMUEL OLMSTEAD, son of *Samuel* (p. 7).

Married Feb. 24, 1767, to Martha Rockwell, daughter of Thomas and Ruth B. Rockwell of Ridgefield.

Their children were:

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|--|---------------------------|
| <i>Thaddeus,</i> | <i>Ebenezer Rockwell,</i> |
| Born June 30, 1769 | Born Oct. 29, 1778? |
| <i>Isaac,</i> | <i>Dorcas,</i> |
| Born Jan. 17, 1771 | Born May 26, 1779 |
| <i>Jonathan,</i> | <i>Sarah,</i> |
| Born Dec. 27, 1772 | Born Feb. 10, 1781 |
| Died Feb. 27, 1784 | |
| <i>Samuel Ketcham,</i> | <i>Seth,</i> |
| Born Feb. 10, 1776 | Born April 18, 1783 |
| Mrs. Martha R. Olmstead died July, 1784. | |

Mr. Samuel Olmstead married, Oct. 28, 1784, to Miss Sarah Morris.

His children by his second wife were:

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|---------------------|--------------------|
| <i>Esther,</i> | <i>Cyrus,</i> |
| Born June 11, 1787 | Born Dec. 14, 1795 |
| <i>Catherine,</i> | Died June 12, 1796 |
| Born March 11, 1790 | |
| <i>Jonathan,</i> | <i>Betsey,</i> |
| Born Dec. 25, 1793 | Born March 2, 1798 |

Mr. Samuel Olmstead died Oct. 14, 1816.

Mrs. Sarah M. Olmstead died in New York city in 1831.

EBENEZER OLMSTEAD, son of *Samuel* (p. 7).

Married January 17, 1777, to Esther Ingersoll, daughter of Rev. Jonathan Ingersoll of Ridgefield, born Aug. 10, 1760.

Their children were :

Moss,

Born June 3, 1778

Russell,

Born Dec. 8, 1779

Nancy,

Born Sept. 30, 1781

Harry,

Oliver,

Edward,

Benjamin,

Fanny,

Maria,

Ira,

Louisa,

Harriet,

Mr. Ebenezer Olmstead died July 19, 1801, aged 53.

Mrs. Esther I. Olmstead died at St. Louis, Mo., January, 1847, in the 87th year of her age.

HANNAH OLMSTEAD, daughter of *Samuel* (p. 7).

Married Isaac Northrop of South Salem, N. Y.

Their children were :

Hannah,

Married David Canfield

Sally,

Married Asa Raymond

Amos,

Married Sarah Osborne.

Nancy.

Mrs. Hannah O. Northrop died January, 1810,
aged 60.

Mr. Isaac Northrop died April, 1812.

JARED OLMSTEAD, son of *Samuel* (p. 7).

Married Nov. 30, 1773, to Hannah Betts, daughter of Gideon and Rachael Betts of Ridgefield, born May 10, 1755.

Their children were:

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|--|--|
| <i>Lewis</i> (p. 21), Born March 19, 1774 Died Nov. 9, 1847 | <i>Sally</i> (p. 25). Born May 21, 1784 Died Aug. ..., 1828 |
| <i>Nathan</i> (p. 22), Born April 1, 1776 Died Dec. 6, 1833 | <i>Polly</i> (p. 26), Born May 21, 1786 Died Oct. ..., 1864 |
| <i>Jonas</i> (p. 23), Born Jan. 31, 1778 Died April 20, 1858 | <i>Rachel</i> (p. 27), Born March 18, 1788 Died July 2, 1853 |
| <i>Hannah</i> (p. 25), Born March 3, 1780 Died Sept. 7, 1857 | <i>Lucy</i> (p. 28), Born April 24, 1790 Died Oct. 13, 1866 |
| <i>Betsey</i> (p. 24), Born March 3, 1782 | <i>Jared</i> (p. 29), Born Feb. 14, 1793 |
| <i>Hiram</i> (p. 30), Born May 28, 1795, Died June 28, 1860. | |

Jared Olmstead, Esq., died May 28, 1825, aged 72.

Mrs. Hannah B. Olmstead died Feb. 28, 1826, in her 71st year.

A Genealogy of the Children of Jared Olmstead and Hannah Betts.

LEWIS OLMSTEAD son of *Jared* (p. 20).

Married 1794, to Sarah Bennett, daughter of Trowbridge and Sarah Bennett of Ridgefield.

Their children were :

Philo,
Born Nov. 11, 1795

Lucy (no family),
Born July 14, 1797
Died July 23, 1816

Rosanna,
Born Feb. 28, 1800

Betsey D.,
Born Sept. 7, 1801

Anna L.,
Born Oct. 14, 1804

Carlisle,
Born Sept. 9, 1807

Orrin L.,
Born Oct. 14, 1809

Jared,
Born Aug. 19, 1811
Died

Sarah,
Born June 28, 1814

William B.,
Born Sept. 7, 1816

Jonas,
Born Dec. 19, 1818

Lucy M.,
Born July 13, 1821

Mr. Lewis Olmstead died at Otego, N. Y., Nov. 9, 1847, aged 73.

Mrs. Sarah B. Olmstead died April 23, 1855, at Otego, N. Y.

NATHAN OLMSTEAD, son of *Jared* (p. 20).

Married April 25, 1797, to Martha Waterous, daughter of Capt. John Waterous, and Huldah, his first wife, of Ridgefield.

Their children were:

Emelia,

Born Feb. 15, 1798

Caroline,

Born April 1, 1802 Died

Edwin Betts,

Born May 12, 1806 Died

Abby Lenora,

Born Feb. 20, 1808 Died

Maria A.,

Born Jan. 16, 1810

Henry F.,

Born Nov. 22, 1813

Nathan Olmstead died Dec. 6, 1833, aged 57 years, 8 months, and 5 days.

Martha W. Olmstead died May 19, 1816, aged 38 years and 23 days.

JONAS OLMSTEAD, son of *Jared* (p. 20).

Married to Polly Terhune at Northumberland,
N. Y.

Their children were :

Maria,

Married Dr. Haywood

Amanda,

Married Dr. Cox.

Helen,

Married Oliver F. Peabody

Mrs. Polly T. Olmstead died at Saratoga,
N. Y., about 1812.

Mr. Jonas Olmstead was afterwards married to
Mrs. Elizabeth Ketchum in 1816.

Mrs. Elizabeth Olmstead died at Northumberland,
N. Y.

Deacon Jonas Olmstead died at Keeseville,
N. Y., April 20, 1858, aged 80 years.

BETSEY OLMSTEAD, daughter of *Jared* (p. 20).

Married in August, 1803, to Abijah Northrop.

Their children were :

Hiram O.,

Frances B.,

Cornelia,

Married Silas Belden, Cleveland, O.

Sally Ann,

Married Abram DeGroff,

Jared A.,

Alfred B.,

Alfred G.,

Mr. Abijah Northrop died in 1852, at the town of Perrington, Munroe Co., N. Y., Dec. 22, 1852.

Mrs. Betsey O. Northrop died March 28, 1861.

SALLY OLMSTEAD, daughter of *Jared* (p. 20).

Married in 1820 to William Clarke.

No children.

Mrs. Sally O. Clarke died in 1828.

William Clarke, Esq., died December, 1837.

HANNAH OLMSTEAD, daughter of *Jared* (p. 20).

Remained single through life.

Died at Pittsford, Munroe Co., N. Y., Sept. 7,
1857, aged 77 years, 6 months and 4 days.

POLLY OLMSTEAD, daughter of *Jared* (p. 20).

Married in 1806 to Alfred Gray.

Their children were :

Charles M.,

Mary,

Jane,

Elizabeth;

George M.,

Ann.

Alfred Gray died at Montreal, Canada, in 1820.

Mrs. Polly O. Gray afterwards married Jirah Rowley in 1823, at Victor, N. Y.

Children of Jirah and Polly Rowley.

Alfred G.

Mr. Jirah Rowley died at Hadley, Ill.

Mrs. Polly Rowley, October, 1864, at Hadley, Ill.

RACHEL OLMSTEAD, daughter of *Jared* (p. 20).

Married Feb. 18, 1809, to Lewis L Nash, of Ridgefield, at South Salem, N. Y.

Their children were :

Sally,

Born Dec. 21, 1809

Hiram O.,

Born March 22, 1811

Albert,

Born May 22, 1812

Cornelia,

Born Nov. 18, 1814

Died Dec. 11, 1815.

Harry W.,

Born Oct. 3, 1817

Betsey L.,

Born Feb. 24, 1819

Lavinia,

Born June 11, 1827

Died Oct. 22, 1828



Mrs. Rachel O. Nash died July 2, 1853, at Wilton, Conn.

Mr. Lewis L. Nash died Nov. 19, 1856, at Ridgefield, Conn.

LUCY OLMSTEAD, daughter of *Jared* (p. 28).

Married in 1826 to John Lane of Pittsford, N.Y.

Their children were:

Lucy,

Mary,

Mr. John Lane died at Lockport, Ill.

Mrs. Lucy Lane died Oct. 13, 1866, at Lockport, Ill.

JARED OLMSTEAD, son of *Jared* (p. 20).

Married Feb. 28, 1819, to Polly Abbott, daughter of Thaddeus and Rebecca M. Abbott, born at Redding, Conn., October, 1789.

Their children were :

Frederick,

Born Aug. 7, 1820

Hiram,

Born April 15, 1823

Died Dec. 21, 1859.

Edmond,

Born March 17, 1826

George Bement,

Born Aug. 4, 1830

Died Sept. 15, 1862

Mrs. Polly A. Olmstead died Nov. 24, 1865, at Redding, Conn., in her 77th year.

HIRAM OLMSTEAD, son of *Jared* (p. 20).

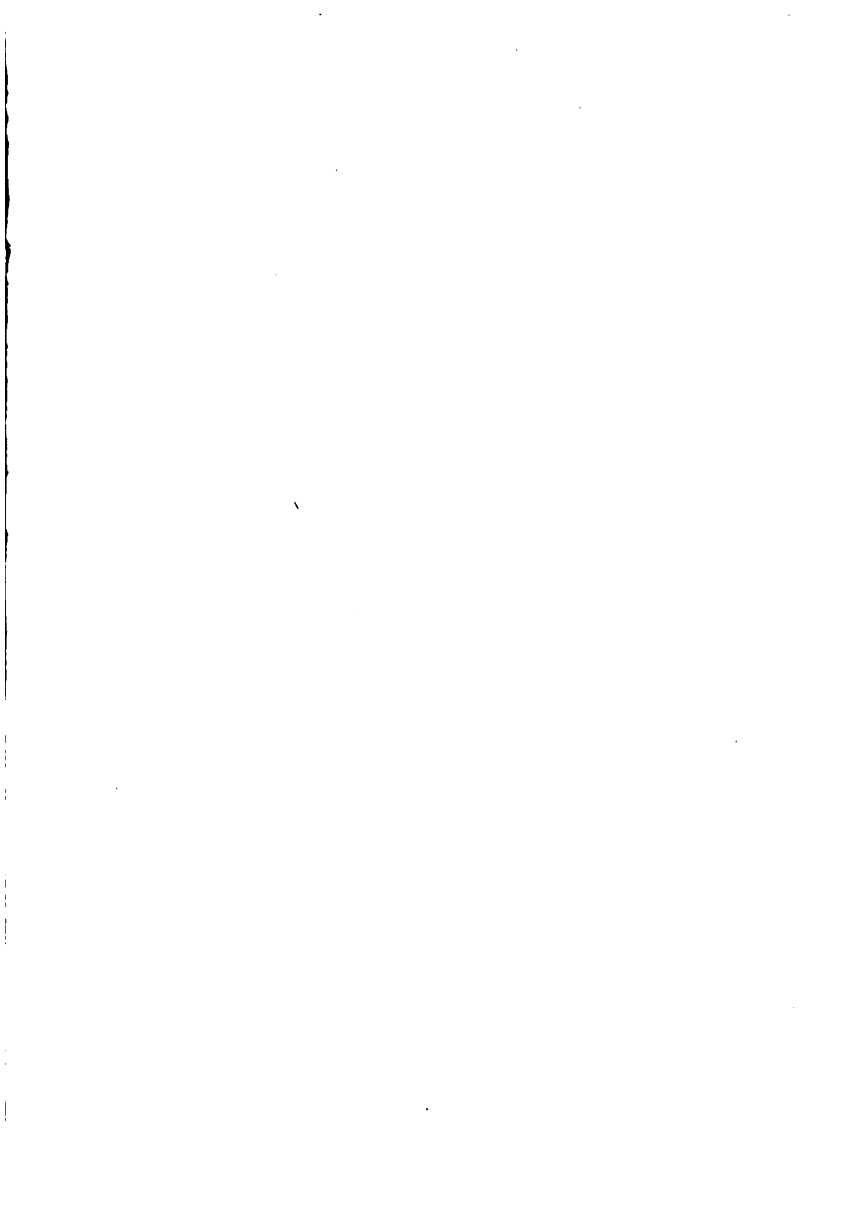
Married Aug. 10, 1820, to Sarah S. Fisher, daughter of Rev. William Fisher, of Meredith, N. Y.

Their children were:

| | | | |
|------------------------|---------|--------------------|----------|
| <i>Sarah B.,</i> | | <i>Homer I.,</i> | |
| Born May | 4, 1829 | Born Feb. | 23, 1836 |
| <i>Hiram B.,</i> | | <i>Lucy J.,</i> | |
| Born Jan. | 9, 1831 | Born Jan. | 20, 1844 |
| | | Died Feb. | 20, 1844 |
| <i>Portia Nerissa,</i> | | <i>Horatio F.,</i> | |
| Born Sept. | 7, 1833 | Born Jan. | 6, 1845 |
| <i>Laura A.,</i> | | | |
| Born June | 6, 1848 | | |

Sarah F. Olmstead died January, 1851.

Hiram Olmstead married at Lockport, Ill., 1856, to Miss Sarah Ann Shockey; from there he moved to Morrison, Ill., where he died June 28, 1860.



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